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For: DRINKING STRAW ATTACHMENT DEVICE

AND METHOD

COMMUNICATION IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

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INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

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